



Proclamation

WHEREAS, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle, and secondary students; and

WHEREAS, art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities; and

WHEREAS, art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, and order, and encourages other expressive qualities; and

WHEREAS, art education gives students a deeper understanding of multicultural values and beliefs; and

WHEREAS, art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and

WHEREAS, art education encourages student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim March 2006, as

YOUTH ART MONTH

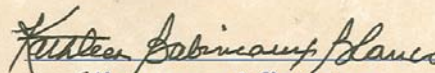
in the state of Louisiana, and all citizens are urged to take interest in and give full support to quality art programs for children and youth.



Attest By
The Governor


Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 14th day of March
A.D., 2006*


Governor of Louisiana